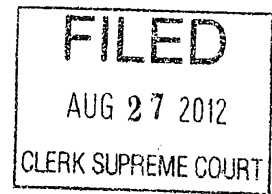


In the Supreme Court of Iowa



Request for Public Comment)
Regarding Amendments to)
Division III (Professional)
Regulation) of the Iowa Court)
Rules)

Order

During its 2012 administrative term, the supreme court has reviewed a proposal from the Director of the Office of Professional Regulation to amend several provisions in Division III (Professional Regulation) of the Iowa Court Rules. The proposal includes amendments relating to lawyer admission and reinstatement, retention of disciplinary records, backup trust account signature authority for sole practitioners, and client security oversight of certain lawyers practicing in Iowa under the multijurisdictional practice rule. The proposal also would update Interest on Lawyer Trust Account (IOLTA) grant application procedures and fiscal management within the Office of Professional Regulation.

The supreme court seeks public comment on the proposed rule changes prior to taking further action on them. Copies of the proposed rule changes, with a summary of the proposed changes from the Office of Professional Regulation, can be found at www.iowacourts.gov/Supreme_Court/Orders/. In addition, copies are available at the office of the Clerk of the Supreme Court.

Any interested organization, agency, or person may submit written comments. Comments about a proposed rule must refer to the specific rule number (for example, Rule 31.16(2)) and the specific numbered line or lines to which the comments are directed. Comments sent by e-mail must be e-mailed to rules.comments@iowacourts.gov, must state **"Professional Regulation rules"** in the subject line of the e-mail, and must be sent **as an attachment to**

the e-mail in Microsoft Word format. Instead of submission by email, comments may be delivered in person or mailed to the Clerk of the Supreme Court, 1111 East Court Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, 50319.

Any questions regarding the form of comments or the procedures outlined in this order may be directed to Paul H. Wieck II, Director of the Office of Professional Regulation, at 515-725-8029.

The deadline for submitting comments is 4:30 p.m., October 26, 2012.

Dated this 27th day of August, 2012.

THE SUPREME COURT OF IOWA

By Mark S. Cady
Mark S. Cady, Chief Justice